

The Club could use a few more Net Control Stations (NCS) for the Thursday Evening Net and the KK4XA Morning Net. If you are interested, please contact Mike at his email address on qrz.com.

- Bob [KK4XA] gave the Health and Welfare report for Charles [K4BAL] who was absent. Charles is having some health issues which should be resolved in the next month or two. Joe [KN4YED] acquired a rash from “who knows where” and is improving. [With the spate of health related problems Joe has had to endure, maybe he should drop the “e” at the end of his name and replace it with a “b”! - *ed*]. Please keep these folks in your thoughts.
- Bob [KK4XA] reported for the Training and Education Committee saying the planning stage for a Technician Class license course of study for this November has begun. The class would be held strictly on Zoom Video Conferencing.
- Kurt [KC4NX] told the Club members that the repeaters are operating as expected. NOTE: The link between the VHF and the UHF repeaters of the Club is operational only during the nets on the 146.655-MHz repeater.
- Jordan [NA4WX] told the Club that the FaceBook Club account is doing very well. He also noted a problem with the “Join Zoom” radio button link at the Club website for Club meetings will be corrected.
- Greg [K4HMS] told the group the SKYWARN group finished #1 in their category for the Tennessee QSO Party (TNQP). He noted, however, there is no plaque!
- Andrew asked for any other old business. There was no other old business.
- New business item(s) for the Club:
 1. Please consider and suggest a venue for the Christmas Party in December.
- Andrew declared the business portion of the SMARC 2024 Sep 23 meeting adjourned at 1920 ET. A break occurred until 1935 ET.
- The presentation for the meeting was a DVD provided by Bob [K9JU] of a recent DXpedition by the Italian DXpedition Team to the African nation of Chad. Three (3) separate calls were used during the operation: TT8RR on CW, SSB and RTTY; TT8XX on FT8; and TT8TT on satellite QO100. Unfortunately, the United States is not within the footprint of that satellite. [K9JU apologizes for showing a DX oriented DVD. He hopes it showed what a small part of the country and people of Chad look like but more so, the effort of a group or an individual required to conduct such an operation. This was not ham radio in an air conditioned, luxury hotel. P.S.: ‘JU is still a Yankee lid from Chicago – *ed*.]

The 2024 September 23 meeting of SMARC ended at 2010 ET. Thank you to all in attendance.

Respectfully submitted by SMARC Secretary,

Bob Loving [K9JU]

P.S.: Don't forget the KK4XA Morning Net, Monday through Thursday at 9:00 AM (0900) ET, and the SMARC Weekly Thursday Evening Net at 7:00 PM (1900) ET. Both nets are held on the W4OLB/R linked repeater system with Zoom Video Conference accompaniment.